



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE MATTER OF:

ATTN.: APPLICATIONS DIVISION

APPLICANT: PREUKSCHAT

FOR: CONTROLABLE VIBRATION DAMPER WITH
POWER DAMPING CONTROL

Date: December 5, 2001

PRELIMINARY SIMULTANEOUS AMENDMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination of the present application, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Change claims 1 to 8 to read as follows:

1. ^aRegulated dashpot with shock-absorption force controls, [especially] intended for motor vehicles, ^{comprising:} [with] at least one flow-regulating system including ^{at least} one or more shock-absorption components for the compression phase [and/or] for ^{and} the decompression phase, characterized in that at least one valve assembly is ^{electrically} [supplied] with variable flow [impedance] ^{resistance regulated} by a regulating valve [5, 6, 26, or 31].

2. Dashpot as in Claim 1, characterized by [at least one fixed bypass valve (7, 19, 20, or 33)] with a constricted cross-section hydraulically paralleling the flow-regulating system;

3. Dashpot as in Claim 1, characterized by [at least one flow regulating system for the compression phase and at least one ^{flow regulating system} for the decompression phase in the form of regulating valves (5 & 6)] with [a] variable flow constriction,

4. ^{a defined} Dashpot as in Claim 1, [characterized by] ^{including} [previously adjusted pressure-

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